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*Yes, I'd like to see animal health in the very best of hands.*

### Please send me further information

- Please send me further information on how we can work together to ensure the future of animal health and welfare through the highest standards of education, research, and care.

### I'd like to give a financial hand

- I enclose a cheque made out to the Veterinary Science Foundation
- Please call me to discuss making a financial contribution to the Veterinary Science Foundation
- Please send me information about leaving a bequest to the Veterinary Science Foundation

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The Veterinary Science Foundation  
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## What is the Veterinary Science Foundation?

Established in 1910, the University of Sydney Faculty of Veterinary Science is Australia's oldest veterinary school and one that is internationally recognised.

Just as there have been huge leaps forward in human medical science in recent times, so too in veterinary science. University of Sydney veterinarians have been at the forefront in the treatment and care of small and large animals, advances in farm animal production, wildlife conservation, and exciting world-first research.

The Veterinary Science Foundation is dedicated to supporting animal health and welfare, the education of future veterinarians, and excellence in research. It supports the Faculty's vision of leadership and innovation, and ensures its aims for the future are realised.

Central to the Faculty and Foundation's work — whether caring for animals small or large — is our commitment to animal welfare. In all our areas of work, we will never lose sight of the importance of the human-animal bond, and the responsibility that we humans have towards the animals that sustain us with companionship and recreation, livelihoods and sustenance.

## How we make a difference

The Veterinary Science Foundation supports the Faculty of Veterinary Science through a range of important initiatives including:

### **The University of Sydney Animal Medical Centre Capital Campaign.**

The Foundation is raising funds to build a state-of-the-art small animal clinic and teaching hospital, scheduled to start late 2002.

The new Sydney Animal Medical Centre will provide:

- a world class veterinary specialist referral centre
- an internationally-renowned teaching hospital for future veterinarians
- excellence in research to benefit the future health of pets
- the highest quality clinical medicine for the community's animals

### **The University of Sydney Equine Centre of Excellence and Centre for Farm Animal Health and Production.**

The Faculty is already a world leader in equine medicine, equine exercise physiology and biochemistry, as well as in nutrition and disease management in production animals. The Foundation's work will support the establishment, on our Camden campus, of an Equine Centre of Excellence and Large Animal Clinic, teaching hospital and Centre for Farm Animal Health and Production.

### **Wildlife Health and Conservation Centre.**

The Faculty is leading the response to the growing concern by veterinary students and the community for Australia's native fauna, and the Foundation is now seeking funds to establish a Wildlife Health and Conservation Centre, also at Camden. This Centre, unique in Australasia and one of only a few in the world, will:

- provide a clinic devoted to the treatment and rehabilitation of injured native animals and reptiles
- train undergraduate and postgraduate veterinary students in wildlife medicine and conservation through the Faculty's Veterinary Conservation Biology unit
- facilitate research enhancing understanding of our native fauna
- assist in wildlife emergencies, such as bushfires and oil spills

The centre has support from Taronga and Dubbo Zoos, Australian Museum, National Parks and Wildlife, the NSW Government.

## Other Projects

Through the Veterinary Science Foundation, the Faculty is establishing a *Teaching Innovation Unit* to provide internationally competitive teaching programs focused on graduating the world's best veterinarians.

The Faculty is dedicated to safeguarding Australia's production animal industries. It has taken a leadership role in *Farm Animal Health, Production and Food Safety* through a new Farm Animal Health Team and, with the Foundation's help, is developing new undergraduate and postgraduate programs in epidemiology and pathology.

The Faculty is widely acknowledged as a leader in animal science research. It has internationally-recognised strengths in the fields of reproduction and genetics/genomics through its Centre for

Advanced Technologies in Animal Genetics and Reproduction (Reprogen), as well as in the fields of immunology, farm animal disease and nutrition. The Foundation's work will support a *Veterinary Research Unit* to build on these strengths.

## The challenge of the future

Perhaps our biggest challenge for the future is the need to be increasingly independent of government funding. For the Veterinary Science Foundation to continue to play its important role, it needs external support to attract and recruit those rare individuals who have the talent and drive to lead the global field in veterinary education, medicine and research.

## Ways in which you can make a difference

Our work is made possible by contributions from the many private individuals, philanthropic organisations, and corporations who share our vision.

Your support will help ensure that the Faculty of Veterinary Science reaches its full potential. The animals are the direct beneficiaries of our work, and your contribution will help us continue to break valuable ground in animal care and treatment.

The Veterinary Science Foundation gratefully accepts donations and bequests.

- Cash gift donations are usually made by cheque payable to the University of Sydney Veterinary Science Foundation.
- Bequests are critical to our future. We would be pleased to speak with you about becoming a benefactor of the Foundation.

*On behalf of the animals who depend on us, may we say, 'thank you'.*

